



Chairman Brandon Ganaishlal & District Manager William Rivera
Public Safety & Transportation Committee Summary
February 6, 2020 – 7PM.

Board Members Present: Chair Brandon Ganaishlal, Co-Chair Izzy Adames, Henry Pelayo, Victor Cordero and DM William Rivera

- **Speakers/Presentations**

Meeting Started at 7:05PM

- A. **MTA Capital Contraction - Penn Station Access Project:** Joe O'Donnell, Director of Public Affairs
PSAoutreach@mtacc.infi - <https://pennstationaccess.info/>

***Mission Statement:** Direct Metro-North service from Connecticut, Westchester, and the Bronx to Manhattan's thriving west side will now be a reality. The project will cut commutes by up to 45 minutes and introduce reverse commuting opportunities. With 4 new ADA-accessible rail stations in the East Bronx, Penn Station Access will spur the local economy and attract regional talent. By improving reliability for our 285,000 daily riders and expanding transit options, we are delivering a world-class regional transportation system.*

Mr. O'Donnell & Ms. Kemraj updated committee on the access project and proposed Parkchester Metro North Station. The Committee discussed questions & answers and distributed information attached.

- B. **Bronx Defenders - Presenter:** Porsha-Shaf'on Venable, Team Leader / Attorney bronxdefenders.org

***Mission Statement:** The Bronx Defenders is a public defender nonprofit that is radically transforming how low-income people in the Bronx are represented in the justice system and, in doing so, is transforming the system itself.*

Ms. Venable and committee discussed new bail reform bill. The committee engaged in several questions and viewpoints. The committee recommended that Ms. Venable attend one of our General Board Meetings.

- **Liquor License Recommendations:**

- A. Melanie's Roti Grill & Restaurant – 1248 Castle Hill Ave: the committee discussed and approved this renewal application.

- B. Legends Bar – 1735 East 172nd Street, the committee discussed and approved this renewal application contingent to the DM visiting location & owner and verifying contact information.

- **District Manager Update:** The District Manager update committee on his report.

Adjourned: 8:45 PM

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